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FOR:	<b>OPTICAL DISK APPARATUS</b>	

Enclosed are:

- 11 sheets of  formal  informal drawings.
- Request for Priority to claim priority date of November 19, 2002.
- An assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.
- An Executed Declaration
- An Information Disclosure Statement with PTO Form 1449
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